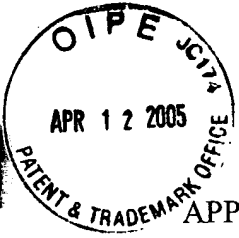


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RESPONSE TO THE JANUARY 12, 2005, OFFICE ACTION

SIR:

This is a response to the January 12, 2005, Office Action, which set a period of response extending to and including April 12, 2005.

The Commissioner is authorized to debit or credit deposit account No. 11-0600 for any fees associated with this application.

Prior to further examination, the following amendments should be entered into the case.